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Group Art Unit	2661
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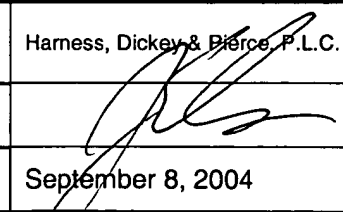
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Group Art Unit: 2661

Examiner: Joshua A. Kading

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR TRANSPORTING MULTIPLE  
PROTOCOL FORMATS IN A LIGHTWAVE COMMUNICATION  
NETWORK

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September 8, 2004

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated June 25, 2004 ("Office Action") and respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.